

# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** February 15, 2017

**TO:** Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB) Delegates, Tribal Health Directors and Tribal Chairs

**FROM:** Joe Finkbonner, NPAIHB Executive Director, RPH, and MHA

**RE:** Weekly NPAIHB "News and Information"

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## **NPAIHB Delegates, Tribal Health Directors**

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## **Idaho Delegates and Tribal Health Directors**

- ✚ Save the Date – Your Health Idaho Tribal Quarterly Meeting, February 16, 2017, Boise, Idaho



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**To:** Idaho Delegates, Oregon Delegates, Washington Delegates, Tribal Chairs and Tribal Health Directors

Greetings! The NPAIHB - Funding Opportunity is provided on the basis that when there is pertinent announcements that we are made aware of, received and researched for as part of our commitment to the health and well-being of our tribal members it is posted here for you. Every Friday, new posts will be available (unless there is nothing **"New"** **Funding Opportunity Information (is provided in this color code)**.

If you have a specific targeted goal, or urgent community needs and find yourself not knowing where to start looking our assistance is available anytime, and we would be very excited to assist you. Also, at the end of this announcement there are several funding organizations that do not have deadlines and do accept proposals all year round. Thank you for your time, please do not hesitate to contact me:

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**Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health in American Indian and Alaskan Native Communities, U.S. Territories, and Pacific Jurisdictions Cooperative Agreements (Indigenous – Project LAUNCH) - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 1, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$550,000 -Up to 5 years

**DESCRIPTION:** Indigenous – Project LAUNCH provides grants to promote the wellness of young children from birth to 8 years within tribes, territories, and Pacific Island jurisdictions by addressing the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and behavioral aspects of their development to ensure children are thriving in safe, supportive environments, and entering school ready to learn and able to succeed.

SAMHSA expects projects to have a dual focus on infrastructure development and the delivery of services and supports that promote young child wellness and healthy social and emotional development. Applicants should infuse culturally-driven and trauma-informed mental health and wellness promotion practices and mental illness prevention practices into the settings and service systems through which young children and families can be reached. Specific expectations may be found in the application instructions.

**WEBSITE/LINK:**

**[https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/funding/4069?utm\\_source=racupdate&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=update012517](https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/funding/4069?utm_source=racupdate&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=update012517)**



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**Breast Reconstruction Awareness Fund Public Awareness Grants - The Plastic Surgery Foundation (The PSF)**

**DEADLINE:** April 5, 2017

**AMOUNT:** Breast Reconstruction Awareness Fund Public Awareness Grants, up to \$10,000, are awarded to U.S. based tax-exempt public 501(c)(3) charities with a demonstrated commitment to developing and implementing projects and programs for the purpose of raising the awareness of breast reconstruction surgery options in the community.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Plastic Surgery Foundation (The PSF) is committed to supporting organizations that focus on increasing breast reconstruction surgery awareness and education to women and their family members.

Through The PSF's Breast Reconstruction Awareness Fund, The PSF awards a limited number of Breast Reconstruction Surgery Public Awareness Grants to U.S. based, tax-exempt public 501(c)(3) charities that have demonstrated a commitment to increasing the awareness of breast reconstruction surgery.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.thepsf.org/humanitarian/breast-reconstruction-awareness-fund/public-awareness-grants.htm>

**FAHS-BECK FUND FOR RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTATION A Fund Established with The New York Community Trust**

**DEADLINE:** April 1 and November 1 – 5 p.m. eastern time.

**AMOUNT:** Grants of up to \$20,000 are available to help support the research of faculty members or post-doctoral researchers affiliated with non-profit human service organizations in the United States and Canada.

**DESCRIPTION:** Areas of interest to the Fund are: studies to develop, refine, evaluate, or disseminate innovative interventions designed to prevent or ameliorate major social, psychological, behavioral or public health problems affecting children, adults, couples, families, or communities, or studies that have the potential for adding significantly to knowledge about such problems. The research for which funding is requested must focus on the United States and/or Canada or on a comparison between the United States and/or Canada and one or more other countries.

**Who May Apply**

Faculty members of accredited colleges or universities or individuals affiliated with accredited non-profit human service organizations in the United States or Canada are eligible to apply. The applicant organization must agree to accept administrative responsibility for the project and submit required financial forms and reports to the Fund.

The principal investigator (PI) must have an earned doctorate in a relevant discipline and relevant experience. The PI must be in full control of the research and be the principal author of the final report.

Service Component of Proposed Research



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If there is a service component of the proposed research, it must be provided by an organization or individual that has the appropriate accreditation, certification, or licensure.

### WEBSITE/LINK:

[http://www.fahsbeckfund.org/pdf\\_files/Post Doctoral Guidelines.pdf](http://www.fahsbeckfund.org/pdf_files/Post_Doctoral_Guidelines.pdf)

### Future of Work – The Russell Sage Foundation

#### DEADLINE:

Letter of Inquiry Deadline - May 31, 2017 (11am PT)

Invited Proposal Deadline - August 15, 2017 (11am PT)

Funding Decision - November 2017

**AMOUNT:** Awards are available for research assistance, data acquisition, data analysis, and investigator time for conducting research and writing up results. Applications should limit budget requests to no more than a two-year period, with a maximum of \$150,000 (including overhead) per project. Presidential Awards, with a maximum budget of \$35,000 (no overhead allowed) are also available. Our website lists upcoming deadlines and provides detailed information about submitting letters of inquiry, proposals and budgets.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Russell Sage Foundation's program on the Future of Work supports innovative research on the causes and consequences of changes in the quality of jobs for less- and moderately-skilled workers and their families. We seek investigator-initiated research proposals that will broaden our understanding of the role of changes in employer practices, the nature of the labor market and public policies on the employment, earnings, and the quality of jobs of workers. We are especially interested in proposals that address important questions about the interplay of market and non-market forces in shaping the wellbeing of workers, today and in the future. Funding is available for secondary analysis of data or for original data collection. We are especially interested in novel uses of existing data, as well as analyses of new or under-utilized data. Proposals to conduct laboratory or field experiments, in-depth qualitative interviews, and ethnographies are also encouraged. Smaller projects might consist of exploratory fieldwork, a pilot study, or the analysis of existing data.

The Foundation encourages methodological variety and inter-disciplinary collaboration. All proposed projects must have well-developed conceptual frameworks and research designs. Analytical models must be specified and research questions and hypotheses (where applicable) must be clearly stated.

A brief letter of inquiry (4 pages max. excluding references) must precede a full proposal to determine whether the proposed project is in line with the Foundation's program priorities and available funds. All applications must be submitted through the Foundation's online submission system. If you still have questions after reviewing the information on our website, please contact Aixa Cintrón-Vélez, Program Director, at [programs@rsage.org](mailto:programs@rsage.org).

### WEBSITE/LINK:

<http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2017/coordinating-efforts-to-enhance-hospitals-role-in-population-health.html>



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**2017 FEBRUARY**

**OVW FY 2017 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program Solicitation Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women**

**DEADLINE:** Feb 23, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$750,000

**DESCRIPTION:** Victims of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in rural communities face unique challenges and barriers to receiving assistance rarely encountered in urban areas. The geographic isolation, transportation barriers, economic structure, particularly strong social and cultural pressures, and lack of available services in rural jurisdictions significantly compound the problems confronted by those seeking support and services to end the violence in their lives. These factors also complicate the ability of the criminal justice system to investigate and prosecute sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking cases. In addition, socio-cultural, economic, and geographic barriers create difficulties for victim services providers to identify and assist victims of these crimes. The United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) ([www.ovw.usdoj.gov](http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov)) is pleased to announce that it is seeking applications for the Fiscal Year 2017 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, and Stalking Assistance Program. This program furthers the Department's mission by supporting projects designed to address and prevent sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking in rural jurisdictions.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291054>

**Injury Prevention Program**

**Indian Health Service [Funding Announcement Number: HHS-2017-IHS-IPP-0001]**

**DEADLINE:** February 26, 2017

**AMOUNT:** Individual award amounts are anticipated from \$10,000 to \$25,000 for three years.

**DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this IHS cooperative agreement is to promote the capability of Tribes, Indian organizations and urban Indian organizations to build and maintain sustainable, effective injury prevention programs:

- (a) Increase the understanding of the injury problem by Tribes/Indian organizations/urban Indian organizations;
- (b) promote Tribal capacity to implement effective strategies to prevent injuries in Tribal communities; and
- (c) to improve the quality of life of AI/AN people.

This cooperative agreement opportunity is available to any applicant that does not have a current IHS injury prevention cooperative agreement. There is no IHS user population



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requirement. Applicants will only be issued one award: Part II-IPP Effective Strategy Project. Applications should be sure to respond to the appropriate "Criteria" under Section V-Application Review Information. (Federal Register – announcement)

WEBSITE/LINK: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291429>

**2017 MARCH**

**Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Family Planning Services Grants (Oregon entire state) Synopsis 3**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 01, 2017 No Explanation

**AMOUNT:** \$100,000

**DESCRIPTION:** This announcement seeks applications from public and private nonprofit entities to establish and operate voluntary family planning services projects, which shall provide family planning services to all persons desiring such services, with priority for services to persons from low-income families. The Title X statute specifies that local and regional public or private nonprofit entities may apply directly to the Secretary for a Title X family planning services grant under this announcement. Funding of applications that propose to rely on other entities to provide services will take into consideration the extent to which the applicant indicates it can provide the required services and best serve individuals in need throughout the anticipated service area. For applicants that will not provide all services directly, the applicant must document the process and selection criteria it will use for providing an opportunity to receive subawards to qualified entities eligible to receive federal funds in providing services throughout the service area to meet the needs of project beneficiaries. Family planning services include clinical family planning and related preventive health services; information, education, and counseling related to family planning; and, referral services as indicated. Applicants should use the Title X legislation, applicable regulations, legislative mandates, current Program Guidelines (issued in 2014), OPA Program Policy Notices, program priorities, and other key issues included in this announcement to guide them in developing their applications.

WEBSITE/LINK: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=287996>

**Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Family Planning Services Grants (Washington entire state) Synopsis 3**



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**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=287981>

**Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health Announcement of Anticipated Availability of Funds for Family Planning Services Grants (Idaho entire state) Synopsis 3**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 01, 2017 No Explanation

**AMOUNT:** \$100,000

**DESCRIPTION:** This announcement seeks applications from public and private nonprofit entities to establish and operate voluntary family planning services projects, which shall provide family planning services to all persons desiring such services, with priority for services to persons from low-income families. The Title X statute specifies that local and regional public or private nonprofit entities may apply directly to the Secretary for a Title X family planning services grant under this announcement. Funding of applications that propose to rely on other entities to provide services will take into consideration the extent to which the applicant indicates it can provide the required services and best serve individuals in need throughout the anticipated service area. For applicants that will not provide all services directly, the applicant must document the process and selection criteria it will use for providing an opportunity to receive subawards to qualified entities eligible to receive federal funds in providing services throughout the service area to meet the needs of project beneficiaries. Family planning services include clinical family planning and related preventive health services; information, education, and counseling related to family planning; and, referral services as indicated. Applicants should use the Title X legislation, applicable regulations, legislative mandates, current Program Guidelines (issued in 2014),



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OPA Program Policy Notices, program priorities, and other key issues included in this announcement to guide them in developing their applications.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=287980>

**Household Transmission of Influenza Viruses in the Community - Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - ERA**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 01, 2017 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date.

**AMOUNT:** \$500,000 X 3 awards

**DESCRIPTION:** Households constitute up to 30% of influenza virus transmission and monitoring influenza in households is important to track how influenza spreads among close contacts and to understand the clinical spectrum of influenza infection and disease. The purpose of this project is to enroll households with confirmed influenza and follow household contacts for up to two weeks to estimate the secondary infection risk and factors associated with risk of infection. This study will also estimate the effectiveness of the influenza vaccine in preventing influenza infection from close contacts. These findings are important to improve prevention and control of seasonal influenza, but also to be better prepared in the event of a future influenza pandemic.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=285280>

**Cooperative Agreements for Tribal Behavioral Health (Short Title: Native Connections) Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Adminis**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 09, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$200,000

**DESCRIPTION:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), and the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) are accepting applications for fiscal year (FY) 2017 Cooperative Agreements for Tribal Behavioral Health (Short Title: Native Connections). The purpose of this program is to prevent and reduce suicidal behavior and substance use, reduce the impact of trauma, and promote mental health among American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) young people up to and including age 24. The goals of this program fall within two of SAMHSA's Strategic Initiatives: Prevention of Substance Abuse and Mental Illness, and Trauma and Justice. This program will help grantees reduce the impact of mental and substance use disorders and will foster culturally responsive models to reduce and respond to the impact of trauma on AI/AN communities through a public health approach. In addition, this grant will allow AI/AN communities to support youth and young adults as they transition into adulthood by facilitating collaboration among agencies. Native Connections grants are authorized under 520A and 516 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended. This announcement addresses Healthy People 2020 Mental Health and Mental Disorders Topic Area HP 2020-MHMD and/or Substance Abuse Topic Area HP 2020-SA.





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**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291100>

**Pilot Studies to Detect and Prevent Suicide Behavior, Ideation and Self-Harm in Youth in Contact with Juvenile Justice System (R34)**

**DEADLINE:** March 16, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$225,000

**DESCRIPTION:** This initiative supports research to test the effectiveness of combined strategies to both detect and intervene to reduce the risk of suicide behavior, suicide ideation, and non-suicidal self-harm (NSSI) by youth in contact with the juvenile justice system. Opportunities for detection and prevention start at early points of contact (e.g., police interaction, the intake interview) and continue through many juvenile justice settings (e.g., pre-trial detention, juvenile or family court activities, court disposition, placement and on-going care in either residential or multiple community settings.) This FOA invites intervention strategies that are designed to be delivered in typical service settings using typically available personnel and resources, to enhance the implementation of interventions that prove effective, enhance their future uptake in diverse settings, and thereby reduce risk of suicide and self-harm in this population.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=284225>

**Russell Sage Foundation - The Social, Economic, and Political Effects of the Affordable Care Act**

**DEADLINE:** Letter of Inquiry Deadline-January 9, 2017 (11am PT). Invited Proposal Deadline-March 13, 2017 (11am PT). Funding Decision- June 2017.

**AMOUNT:** Applications should limit budget requests to no more than a two-year period, with a maximum of \$150,000 (including overhead) per project. Presidential Awards, with a maximum budget of \$35,000 (no overhead allowed) are also available.

**DESCRIPTION:** Funding is available for secondary analysis of data or for original data collection. We are especially interested in novel uses of existing data, as well as analyses of new or under-utilized data. Proposals to conduct laboratory or field experiments, in-depth qualitative interviews, and ethnographies are also encouraged. Smaller projects might consist of exploratory fieldwork, a pilot study, or the analysis of existing data. The Foundation encourages methodological variety and inter-disciplinary collaboration. All proposed projects must have well-developed conceptual frameworks and research designs. Analytical models must be specified and research questions and hypotheses (where applicable) must be clearly stated.

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) of 2010 represents the most significant reform of the U.S. health care system in decades. It was enacted with the goals of increasing access to health insurance, enhancing the quality of care and moderating the growth in costs. The new law is likely to have far reaching effects, beyond the way health insurance markets operate and beyond its impact on population health outcomes. It is those other effects of the ACA that we seek to understand.



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This Russell Sage Foundation initiative will support innovative social science research on the social, economic and political effects of the Affordable Care Act. We are especially interested in funding analyses that address important questions about the effects of the reform on outcomes such as financial security and family economic well-being, labor supply and demand, participation in other public programs, family and children's outcomes, and differential effects by age, race, ethnicity, nativity, or disability status. We are also interested in research that examines the political effects of the implementation of the new law, including changes in views about government, support for future government policy changes, or the impact on policy development outside of health care. Funding is available for secondary analysis of data or for original data collection. We welcome projects that propose novel uses of existing data, as well as projects that propose to analyze newly available or underutilized data. We will not fund research on the effects of the ACA on health care delivery or health outcomes (e.g., barriers to implementation, changes in the quality of care and health status, or trends in enrollment and affordability); other funders already do that.

**Examples of the kinds of topics and questions that are of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:**

### **Financial Security and Family Economic Well-Being**

The Affordable Care Act represents a significant transfer of resources to low and moderate income families, in the form of subsidized health insurance. In theory, this transfer should increase total resources for target households while reducing their exposure to the financial risks associated with high medical bills. Is there evidence that the coverage expansion reduces risk and improves material well-being among low and moderate-income families? Do these effects translate into improved credit scores, a reduction in material hardships or even a reduction in bankruptcy rates? Do increased coverage and new subsidies for previously insured families reduce their need for precautionary savings? Do the subsidies free up financial resources for other purposes, such as greater investments in child care or education or retirement savings?

### **Labor Market Outcomes**

Given the links between health insurance and employment, the ACA may have significant effects on both labor supply and labor demand. Does the increased availability of affordable individually purchased insurance alleviate various forms of "job-lock"? Specifically, does the reform lead to an increase in early retirement or a shift toward voluntary part-time work? Does the ACA increase self-employment and entrepreneurship? How does the availability of coverage as a dependent until age 26 affect the labor market decisions of young adults? Do the implicit tax rates associated with means-tested subsidies reduce the labor supply of lower income workers? Does the availability of insurance increase the average duration of family leave tied either to the birth of a child or the illness of other family members?

On the demand side of the market, larger firms will be subject to penalties if they do not provide affordable coverage to all employees who work more than 30 hours per week. To what extent do employers shift low-wage workers to part-time schedules to avoid these penalties? Does the employer mandate cause firms to make less use of such workers altogether? Do workers who gain employer-sponsored insurance implicitly pay for this new coverage through reduced wages or reduced total compensation? Is there a shift to



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smaller enterprises to avoid the penalty that the law imposes on large firms that do not provide insurance? Do employers thin out their insurance offerings (for example, move to insurance plans with greater employee cost-sharing) to hold down costs or to avoid the “Cadillac tax” on high cost plans? Do employers cease to offer insurance coverage for dependents? Does the Cadillac tax change patterns of collective bargaining by private- or public-sector unions?

### **Public Program Participation**

The ACA’s Medicaid expansion not only extends coverage to low-income adults who were previously ineligible, but will likely also increase coverage among people who were already eligible for Medicaid but were not enrolled. Will outreach efforts aimed at enrolling people in Medicaid lead to an increase in enrollment for other means-tested programs such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or the Earned Income Tax Credit? How does the availability of Medicaid or subsidized private health insurance affect applications for the Social Security Disability (SSDI) program or Supplemental Security Income (SSI)?

How does it affect the likelihood that individuals on SSDI or SSI will leave these programs since they will now be able to obtain coverage without remaining on one of these programs? Will the availability of insurance coverage increase labor supply among those eligible for these programs?

### **Family and Children’s Outcomes**

Given the potentially large impact of the ACA’s coverage expansions on the financial well-being of lower income families, there may also be effects on union formation, divorce and fertility. Does the greater availability of affordable individual insurance options lead to an increase in divorce by reducing the need to remain in an unhappy marriage in order to maintain insurance coverage? Does the change in eligibility for Medicaid in states that expanded eligibility lead to an increase in marriage among women who were previously eligible for Medicaid only as single parents? To what extent do the new subsidized insurance options mitigate the negative economic consequences of divorce for women? How does increased access to effective contraception affect fertility outcomes?

To the extent that the expansion of insurance coverage improves financial well-being and reduces stress for affected families, are children in those families positively affected? For example, does reduced parental stress contribute to improved cognitive development or a reduction in problem behaviors for children? Does it improve educational outcomes?

### **Immigrant Outcomes**

The ACA will expand the coverage options for some, but not all, immigrant groups. Undocumented immigrants will not be allowed to enroll in Medicaid, nor will they be eligible to purchase coverage through the health insurance exchanges. Thus, most of the unauthorized foreign-born will likely remain uninsured. In addition, adult legalized permanent residents currently face a five-year waiting period to qualify for most public benefits, including health insurance coverage. What does this mean for the goals of immigrant integration? What are short- and long-term costs of excluding those whose legal status is not regularized from access to health care? How will differential enrollment policies affect social and economic outcomes for mixed-status families? Will differential



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enrollment policies affect immigrants understanding of, and attitudes towards, the new law?

### **Effects on Politics, Political Culture, and Public Policy**

The U.S. has a long history of channeling public support through private sector mechanisms and the tax code. Measures of public opinion show that, when asked abstract questions, Americans oppose “big government” and any infringement on “individual liberties.” What explains disaffection for the ACA by both conservatives and many progressives? How much of this disaffection depends on knowledge of the law versus partisanship or ideology? How do Americans perceive the ACA—as a government program, as a system of private insurance, or otherwise? How might support for the ACA change over time? Do those who have personally benefited from ACA provisions feel differently about the law? What does the experience of states that have already implemented health exchanges suggest?

As implementation moves forward in an increasing number of states, how will Americans' personal experiences with the ACA affect their support for the law, their views of government generally, and their attitudes about future reform efforts? Does the availability of health insurance through the exchanges increase support for other reforms such as increasing the Medicare eligibility age? Will there be political pressure in non-Medicaid expansion states to expand Medicaid?

### **Outcomes for Underserved Groups**

Homeless adults and former inmates stand to gain coverage via the expansion of Medicaid. Many of these adults have mental health and substance abuse problems that often go untreated. Prior to the ACA they were typically uninsured. Does the ACA's increased coverage for these treatments promote re-entry for ex-offenders and promote stability among the homeless? Does improved access to health care result in better employment and family outcomes and reduced recidivism?

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.russellsage.org/research/funding/affordable-care-act>

### **Research on Reducing Violence in Communities**

**DEADLINE:** March 15, 2017

**AMOUNT:** See website

**DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this solicitation is to support research to produce sustainable community-level reductions in violence. NIJ seeks to develop scientific evidence and build practical knowledge of the factors that contribute to achieving enduring violence reductions in communities. NIJ is interested in receiving proposals for research with both empirical and theory-building elements that will lead to practical and generalizable recommendations. These recommendations should inform community-focused efforts to produce substantial and lasting violence reductions in communities that have suffered from persistently high levels of violence, including those funded by OJP such as the OJP Diagnostic Center and the Violence Reduction Network.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291017>



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**NIJ FY17 Research and Evaluation on Violence Against Women: Teen Dating Violence, Sexual Violence, and Intimate Partner Violence Department of Justice National Institute of Justice**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 20, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$5,000,000

**DESCRIPTION:** Violence Against Women research and evaluation is one of the major foci of NIJ's Violence and Victimization Research Division. The goals of the Violence Against Women program of research are to improve knowledge and understanding of teen dating violence, intimate partner violence, stalking, and sexual violence. NIJ strives to support objective and independent knowledge and validated tools to reduce violence against women and girls, and promote justice for victims of crime.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291274>

**CDC's Collaboration with Academia to Strengthen Public Health Workforce Capacity Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control - CSELS**

**DEADLINE:** Mar 31, 2017 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m., EST, on the listed application due date.

**AMOUNT:** \$1,000,000

**DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this FOA is to advance the educational preparation of public health, medical, and baccalaureate and higher degree nursing students and provide opportunities that strengthen population health and public health practice competencies through innovative approaches which include, but are not limited to: 1) improved integration of public/population health concepts into health profession education, 2) hands-on experience for students and emerging health professionals, as well as faculty development opportunities, working with communities, professionals from related disciplines, and public health partners to address the leading causes of death and illness, 3) specific additional projects funded by CDC programs that provide workforce development opportunities in academic or public health practice settings or that introduce public health careers, and 4) programs that provide fellowships and rotational assignments at CDC's domestic offices, state, tribal, local, and territorial health departments, or in other community-based settings. The overall goal is to create the opportunities for academia to develop qualified, knowledgeable and experienced students and emerging health professionals suitably prepared to serve in governmental public health practice, or able to apply public health concepts in various healthcare or other settings, to collectively meet the challenge of improving the population's health.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291425>

**Partnerships to Achieve Health Equity (Partnership)**

**DEADLINE:** March 31, 2017 by 5 p.m. Eastern Time



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**AMOUNT:** \$400,000

**DESCRIPTION:** The Office of Minority Health (OMH), located within the Office of the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS or

Department), announces the anticipated availability of funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 for grant awards for the Partnerships to Achieve Health Equity (Partnership program) under the authority of 42 U.S.C. § 300u-6 (Public Health Service Act § 1707). This notice solicits applications for the Partnership program.

The Partnership program is intended to demonstrate that partnerships between Federal agencies and organizations with a nationwide or regional reach, focus or impact can efficiently and effectively do one of the following: (1) improve access to and utilization of care by racial and ethnic minority and/or disadvantaged populations; (2) develop innovative models for managing multiple chronic conditions including health promotion and disease prevention for individuals with multiple chronic conditions that disparately affect racial and ethnic minorities and affect morbidity; (3) increase the diversity of the health workforce including health professionals, health researchers and health scientists through programs at the high school or 4 undergraduate level that focus on racial and ethnic health disparities and health equity, and which include mentoring as a core component; or (4) increase data availability and utilization of data that increases the knowledge base regarding health disparities and facilitates the development, implementation and assessment of health equity activities, including but not limited to the creation of new linked datasets, using longitudinal and/or linked data sets, design and test innovative models that explore the independent and interactive influences of social determinants of health on a) health behaviors, b) utilization of health services, and c) health conditions, such that causal relationships are demonstrated, and training and technical support in data use for community-based and/or public health partners engaged in health equity efforts.

Partnership projects' strategies should include innovative multi-partner collaboration, address social determinants of health, and incorporate the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services in Health and Health Care (National CLAS Standards). 1

**WEBSITE/LINK:**

<https://www.grantsolutions.gov/gs/preaward/previewPublicAnnouncement.do?id=58588> <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=289362>

**NOT HEALTH RELATED:**

**The Cross-Jurisdictional Sharing Small Grants Program**

**DEADLINE:** Applications will be considered on a rolling basis from January 2 until March 31, 2017, or until all five small grants are awarded, whichever comes first.



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**AMOUNT:** Awards will be up to \$10,000 for a project period of up to six months.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Center for Sharing Public Health Services (the “Center”) is offering up to five small grants to organizations that wish to explore, plan, implement or improve some aspects of cross-jurisdictional sharing (CJS) in public health. This opportunity is available for 1) public health agencies, 2) organizations representing policymakers with the authority to enter into CJS agreements, or 3) their designated agents. Proposals must fall into one of two categories: 1) Proposals focused on the implementation of a specific CJS arrangement among multiple jurisdictions, or 2) Proposals that are not linked to a specific CJS arrangement but otherwise contribute to the achievement of the Center’s goals described in this document.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://phsharing.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/Small-Grant-Program-2017.pdf>

**2017 APRIL**

### **Massage Therapy Foundation Invites Applications for Community Service Grants**

**DEADLINE:** APRIL 3, 2017

**AMOUNT:** Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to nonprofit organizations that provide massage therapy to people who currently have little or no access to such services.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Massage Therapy Foundation advances the knowledge and practice of massage therapy through support for scientific research, education, and community service. To that end, the foundation is accepting applications for its 2015 Community Service grants program.

The program is designed to promote working partnerships between the massage therapy profession and community-based organizations. To be eligible, applicants must be a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization or affiliate of an organization that has been in existence for at least a year and currently provides some therapeutic or other service programs to the community.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://massagetherapyfoundation.org/grants-and-contests/community-service-grants>

### **Runnerclick Scholarship**

**DEADLINE:** No later than April 30, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$2000



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**DESCRIPTION:** First a little about Runnerclick. We aim to bring you reviews on the latest and greatest from brands such as Brooks, Asics, Adidas, Nike, Saucony and many others. We also review and blog about a lot more than just running shoes, such as GPS watches, shoes made for walking, trails, standing or zumba – the list goes on.

We also offer a growing running blog with contributions from sport familiar writers, where you will find great pointers on how to successfully achieve a healthy, get rid of plantar fasciitis and active lifestyle, as well as further enhance the one you may already lead. Although our content is mostly aimed at runners of all experience levels, we believe that the information that our writers provide could be helpful to all, in general.

We feel that maintaining a healthy lifestyle, and remaining active in sports as well as other outdoor activities can be beneficial in building a strong mind and good character through sportsmanship. That is why we are proud to announce the Runnerclick scholarship, awarded to three qualified applicants each year, for an amount of \$2000 (two thousand U.S. Dollars) to each of the three winners.

We are happy to help with the growth and education that will turn out more healthy and productive members of our society, also keeping alive an athletic and competitive traditions as we develop.

We encourage anyone who is interested to apply, however there are a few necessary requirements that must be fulfilled in order to be seriously considered for one of the three annual awards. Below you will find a more specific breakdown of the scholarship details, as well as the requirements for eligibility and guidelines for your essay. If you decide to apply, you'll just need to completely follow the steps below to submit your application.

Good luck!

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://runnerclick.com/runnerclick-scholarship/>

### **Yale LGBT Studies Research Fellowship**

**DEADLINE:** The application deadline for the 2017-2018 Fellowship is April 21, 2017.

**AMOUNT:** The fellowship provides an award of \$4,000, which is intended to pay for travel to and from New Haven and act as a living allowance.

**DESCRIPTION:** Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies at Yale University is proud to announce the second annual Yale LGBT Studies Research Fellowship. The Fellowship is offered annually, and is designed to provide access to Yale resources in LGBT Studies for scholars who live outside the greater New Haven area.

Scholars from across the country and around the world are invited to apply for the Yale LGBT Studies Research Fellowship. This fellowship supports scholars from any field pursuing research in lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer studies at Yale University, utilizing the vast faculty resources, manuscript archives, and library collections available at Yale. Graduate students conducting dissertation research, independent scholars, and all faculty are invited to apply. Scholars residing within 100 miles of New Haven are ineligible. Granted for one month, the fellowship must be taken up between September 1, 2017 and April 30, 2018. The recipient is expected to be in residence for a





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minimum of twenty days during the period of their award and is encouraged to participate in the activities of Yale University, including programs organized by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, & Transgender Studies, Women's, Gender, & Sexuality Studies, and the Yale Research Initiative on the History of Sexualities.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://lgbs.yale.edu/research>

### **Domestic Violence Shelter Grant Program**

**DEADLINE:** Domestic violence shelter grant applications are available from this web site or from The Mary Kay Foundation from **January 15 to April 30 each year**. We announce grant recipients in the fall to coincide with National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October.

**AMOUNT:** Funds awarded by the foundation may be used for the operating budget of the applicant, with the exception of staff travel. The foundation will award a grant to at least one domestic violence shelter in every state. Any remaining funds will be distributed based on state population.

In 2016, the foundation awarded grants of \$20,000 to more than a hundred and fifty women's domestic violence shelters across the nation.

**DESCRIPTION:** The goal of the Mary Kay Foundation is to eliminate domestic violence. As part of this effort, the foundation makes grants to organizations in the United States that operate emergency shelters for victims of domestic violence. The grants are announced each October in observance of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

**WEBSITE/LINK:**

<http://www.marykayfoundation.org/Pages/ShelterGrantProgram.aspx>

### **2017 - FORECASTED GRANTS**

#### **Community Approaches to Reducing Sexually Transmitted Diseases (CARS)**

##### **Department of Health and Human Services**

##### **Centers for Disease Control - NCHHSTP**

**DEADLINE:** Apr 01, 2017 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date.

**AMOUNT:** \$312,500

**DESCRIPTION:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces the availability of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 funds for a cooperative agreement with organizations with demonstrated experience and capacity of implementing community engagement methods (e.g. community-based participatory research) and multi-sector partnerships to promote sexual health, advance community wellness, influence sexual health behavior and practices, and reduce STI disparities. In accordance with the Healthy People 2020 Goals for the nation, this FOA focuses on reducing the proportion of adolescents and young adults with Chlamydia trachomatis infections, reducing Chlamydia rates among females aged 15-44 years, reducing gonorrhea rates, reducing sustained domestic transmission of primary



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and secondary syphilis, congenital syphilis, GC incidence, and reducing the proportion of young adults with genital herpes infection due to herpes simplex type 2. The new FOA provides support in five focus areas. These focus areas are: (1) implementation of community engagement methods (e.g. community-based participatory research) to achieve health equity; (2) identification and implementation of systems and environmental change strategies that (a) promote sexual health and support healthy behaviors and (b) facilitate community-clinical linkages to build support for interventions to prevent and reduce STI disparities; (3) enhancement and sustainability of partnerships; (4) support for communication strategies to promote STD program successes and leverage additional resources for STI control and prevention; and (5) evaluation of the efficacy of this approach and intervention implementation. Measureable outcomes are: 1. Community Engagement: Community members actively participate in and are satisfied with Community Advisory Board (CAB); perceived power among CAB members; community social determinants of health priority are identified; community involved in design of interventions to reduce STD disparities; increased linkages with and access to target groups. 2. Identification and implementation of system and environmental strategies: Existing clinical resources identified; community priorities and effective community-designed interventions are implemented, evaluated, and sustained; positivity and treatment rates from community events and STD screenings are documented; decrease in exposure to social disorder (e.g., presence of trash, lack of community cooperation); decrease in risky sexual behavior; decrease in STD disparities; 3. Multi-sectorial partnerships: New and stable partnerships are formed; partner resources and influence are used to implement, evaluate, and community-designed interventions; 4. Communication: Increased awareness of STD disparities and sexual health issues through mixed-modal communication methods including social media; increased access to and use of community health resources and support services by target groups most impacted by STD disparities; increased access to and use of educational opportunities by target groups; implementation of effective health equity and sexual health communication methods. This FOA is designed to begin on September 30, 2017 and replaces FOA PS14-1406

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=290103>

**2017- MAY**

**Interventions for Health Promotion and Disease prevention in Native American Populations (R01)**

**DEADLINE:** May 12, 2017, by 5:00 PM local time of applicant organization.

**AMOUNT:** Application budgets are not limited, but need to reflect the actual needs of the proposed project. The project period is limited to five years.

**DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to develop, adapt, and test the effectiveness of health promotion and disease prevention interventions in Native American (NA) populations. NA populations are exposed to considerable risk factors that significantly increase their likelihood of chronic disease, substance abuse, mental illness, oral diseases, and HIV-infection. The intervention program should be culturally appropriate and promote the adoption of healthy lifestyles, improve behaviors and social conditions and/or improve environmental conditions related to chronic diseases, the consumption of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, mental illness, oral



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disease, or HIV-infection. The intervention program should be designed so that it could be sustained within the entire community within existing resources, and, if successful, disseminated in other Native American communities. The long-term goal of this FOA is to reduce mortality and morbidity in NA communities. For the purposes of this FOA Native Americans include the following populations: Alaska Native, American Indian, and Native Hawaiian. The term 'Native Hawaiian' means any individual any of whose ancestors were natives, prior to 1778, of the area which now comprises the State of Hawaii.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PA-14-260.html>

**Food Protection Task Force (FPTF) and Integrated Food Safety System (IFSS) Project Grant Program (R18) - Department of Health and Human Services Food and Drug Administration**

**DEADLINE:** May 16, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$10,000 x 20

**DESCRIPTION:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), issued by the Food and Drug Administration under the support for Research Demonstration and Dissemination Projects (R18), is to solicit applications from organizations that propose to develop, test, and evaluate food safety and food defense health service activities and to foster the application of existing knowledge for the control of categorical and food related diseases and illnesses. Grantees will also organize Food Protection Task Force meetings and support related research activities, foster communication, cooperation and collaboration within the States among federal, state, local, tribal and territorial food protection, public health, agriculture, and regulatory agencies.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=283029>

**2017 JUNE**

**2017 - FORECASTED GRANTS**

**Occupational Safety and Health Research (R01) - Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - ERA**

**DEADLINE:** Jun 05, 2017 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date.

**AMOUNT:** \$400,000 X 16 awards

**DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this grant program is to develop an understanding of the risks and conditions associated with occupational diseases and injuries, to explore methods for reducing risks and for preventing or minimizing exposure to hazardous conditions in the workplace, and to translate significant scientific findings into prevention practices and products that will effectively reduce work-related illnesses and injuries.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=290108>



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**Innovations in Mechanisms and Interventions to Address Mental Health in HIV Prevention and Care Continuum (R01) Department of Health and Human Services National Institutes of Health**

**DEADLINE:** June 5

**AMOUNT:** See application.

**DESCRIPTION:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages applications focused on 1) advancing understanding of mechanisms by which mental health affects HIV prevention and treatment in order to identify modifiable intervention targets; and 2) developing and testing expanded interventions to improve both mental health and HIV outcomes along the entire HIV care continuum (from HIV testing to viral suppression). PA-17-136 uses the R01 grant mechanism while PA-17-137 uses the R21 mechanism. High risk/high payoff projects that lack preliminary data or utilize existing data may be most appropriate for the R21 mechanism, while applicants with preliminary data and/or include longitudinal analysis may wish to apply using the R01 mechanism.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=291442>

**Regional Partnership Grants to Increase the Well-Being of, and to Improve the Permanency Outcomes for, Children Affected by Substance Abuse in American Indian/Alaska Native Communities \ Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families - ACYF/CB**

**DEADLINE:** Jun 06, 2017 Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date.

**AMOUNT:** \$600,000 X 6 awards

**DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of this forecasted funding opportunity announcement (FOA) is to provide competitive grant funds for projects of up to 5 years, authorized by the Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (Pub. L. 112-34). This Act includes a targeted grants program (section 437(f)) that directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to reserve funds for regional partnership grants (RPGs) to improve the well-being of children affected by substance abuse. These targeted grants will be awarded to regional partnerships that provide, through interagency collaboration and integration of programs and services and activities that are designed to increase the well-being of, improve permanency outcomes for, and enhance the safety of children who are in out-of-home placements or are at risk of entering out-of-home placements as a result of a parent's or caretaker's substance abuse. Native communities face service delivery issues that are complicated by several barriers such as, lack of early intervention for American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) communities, distances to services, and lack of access to programs and services. The goal of the program, services, and activities supported by these funds is to improve the well-being of children and families affected by parental substance abuse in AI/AN communities. Per the legislative requirements, RPGs are required to select and report on performance indicators and evaluation measures to increase the knowledge that can be gained from the program. Partnerships will: Use specific, well-defined, and evidence-based programs and/or promising practices that are also trauma-informed and targeted to the identified population; Conduct an evaluation that is sufficiently rigorous to



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contribute to the evidence base on service delivery, outcomes and costs associated with the project's chosen interventions; Participate in the national cross-site evaluation, which includes an implementation and partnership study, an outcomes study, and an impact study. PLEASE SEE ALSO FORECAST FOR REGIONAL PARTNERSHIP GRANTS TO INCREASE THE WELL-BEING OF, AND TO IMPROVE THE PERMANENCY OUTCOMES FOR, CHILDREN AFFECTED BY SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=288214>

**Public Policy Effects on Alcohol-, Marijuana-, and Other Substance-Related Behaviors and Outcomes (R03) Department of Health and Human Services National Institutes of Health**

**DEADLINE:** June 16

**AMOUNT:** See application.

**DESCRIPTION:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages applications to conduct research on the effects of public policies on health-related behaviors and outcomes associated with alcohol, marijuana, and other substances. The purpose of the FOA is to advance understanding of how public policy may serve as a tool for improving public health and welfare through its effects on behaviors and outcomes pertaining to alcohol and other drugs. This FOA is intended to support innovative research to examine policy effects that have the potential to lead to meaningful changes in public health. Research projects that may be supported by this FOA include, but are not necessarily limited to: causal analyses of the effects of one or multiple public policies; evaluations of the effectiveness of specific public policies as tools for improving public health through their effects on alcohol-, marijuana-, and other substance-related behaviors and outcomes; and research to advance methods and measurement used in studying relationships between public policies and alcohol-, marijuana-, and other substance-related behaviors and outcomes. The R03 Small Research Grant Program supports discrete, well-defined projects that realistically can be completed in two years and that require limited levels of funding. This program supports different types of projects including (but not limited to) pilot or feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; and development of research methodology.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=291415>

**2017 JULY**

**Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation**

**DEADLINE:** July 1, 2017



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**AMOUNT:** A single grant of up to \$15,000 will be awarded.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation, the charitable arm of the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association, is accepting applications for its Certification Research Grant program.

The HPNF Certification Research Grant is intended to provide investigators with resources to conduct exploratory, pilot, or feasibility studies that will lead to larger scale projects linking certification with patient outcomes. Examples include collecting preliminary data about the distribution of certification qualifications among staff of different types of organizations or examining datasets from healthcare systems for patterns of staffing and outcomes. To be eligible, the principal investigator must be actively involved in some aspect of hospice and palliative care practice, education, or research; hold a master's or doctoral degree or be enrolled in a doctoral program; and have a project that is consistent with the purpose of the research grant. Preference will be given to HPNA members.

For complete program guidelines and application instructions, see the HPNF website.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://hpnf.advancingexpertcare.org/research/research-grant-opportunities/>

**National Lupus Outreach and Clinical Trial Education Program (Lupus Program)**

**DEADLINE:** July 1, 2017

**AMOUNT:** \$250,000-\$325,000 for Priority A; \$450,000-\$550,000 for Priority B

**DESCRIPTION:** The Office of Minority Health (OMH) at the United States Department of Health and Human Services announces the availability of Fiscal Year 2017 grant funds for the National Lupus Outreach and Clinical Trial Education Program (Lupus Program). The Lupus Program seeks to reduce lupus related health disparities among racial and ethnic minority populations disproportionately affected by this disease by: (1) implementing a national health education program on lupus (Priority A); and (2) developing, piloting and assessing clinical trial education interventions for health care providers and paraprofessionals focusing on improving recruitment and retention rates in clinical trials for racial and ethnic minority populations affected by lupus (Priority B).

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=289374>

**Global Infectious Disease Research Training Program (D43)**

**DEADLINE:** Letter of Intent Due Date(s) -30 days prior to the application due date. July, 27, 2017



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**AMOUNT:** Applications budgets are limited to \$230,000 per year for new awards and \$276,000 per year for renewal awards (total direct costs). The maximum project period is up to 5 years.

**DESCRIPTION:** This Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) encourages applications for the Global Infectious Disease Research Training program from U.S. and LMIC research institutions. The application should propose a collaborative research training program that will strengthen the capacity of a LMIC institution to conduct infectious disease research that focuses on 1) major endemic or life-threatening emerging infectious diseases 2) neglected tropical diseases 3) infections that frequently occur as co-infections in HIV infected individuals or 4) infections associated with non-communicable disease conditions of public health importance in LMICs. FIC will support innovative research training programs that are designed to build sustainable infectious disease research capacity at an institution in an endemic LMIC. Sustainable infectious disease research capacity is known to require a critical mass of scientists and health research professionals with in-depth scientific expertise and complementary leadership skills that enable the institution to conduct independent, internationally-recognized infectious disease research relevant to the health priorities of their country.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-17-057.html>

**NO DEADLINE – GRANT RESOURCE INFORMATION**

**Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health**



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**DEADLINE:**

Informational Web Conferences:

Lessons Learned from a Year of Evidence for Action Grant Reviews

February 18, 2016 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. ET (10:30-11:30 a.m. PT)

Registration is required.

Archived Web Conferences

Informational Web Conferences were scheduled for June 3, 2015 and July 22, 2015  
Recordings for both events are now available.

June 3, 2015 web conference recording available here.

July 22, 2015 web conference recording available here.

Timing: **Since applications are accepted on a rolling basis**, there is no deadline for submission. Generally, applicants can expect to be notified within 6-8 weeks of their LOI submission. Applicants invited to the full proposal stage will have 2 months to submit their proposal once they receive notification. Full proposal funding decisions will generally be made within 6-8 weeks of the submission deadline.

**AMOUNT:** Approximately \$2.2 million will be awarded annually. We expect to fund between five and 12 grants each year for periods of up to 30 months. We anticipate that this funding opportunity will remain open for at least a period of three years; however, decisions about modifications to the program and the duration of the program will be made by RWJF at its sole discretion.

**DESCRIPTION:** Evidence for Action: Investigator-Initiated Research to Build a Culture of Health is a national program of RWJF that supports the Foundation's commitment to building a Culture of Health in the United States. The program aims to provide individuals, organizations, communities, policymakers, and researchers with the empirical evidence needed to address the key determinants of health encompassed in the Culture of Health Action Framework. In addition, Evidence for Action will also support efforts to assess outcomes and set priorities for action. It will do this by encouraging and supporting creative, rigorous research on the impact of innovative programs, policies and partnerships on health and well-being, and on novel approaches to measuring health determinants and outcomes.

**WEBSITE:** [http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2015/evidence-for-action-investigator-initiated-research-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html?rid=3uOaFeLLcJROtLce2ecBeg&et\\_cid=469879](http://www.rwjf.org/en/library/funding-opportunities/2015/evidence-for-action-investigator-initiated-research-to-build-a-culture-of-health.html?rid=3uOaFeLLcJROtLce2ecBeg&et_cid=469879)

**Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization: Small Grants**

**DEADLINE:** Grants are awarded on a rolling basis; proposals may be submitted at any time.

**AMOUNT:** This solicitation is for small grants of \$100,000 or less.





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**DESCRIPTION:** Changes in Health Care Financing and Organization (HCFO) supports research, policy analysis and evaluation projects that provide policy leaders timely information on health care policy, financing and organization issues. Supported projects include:

examining significant issues and interventions related to health care financing and organization and their effects on health care costs, quality and access; and

exploring or testing major new ways to finance and organize health care that have the potential to improve access to more affordable and higher quality health services.

### **Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

Researchers, as well as practitioners and public and private policy-makers working with researchers, are eligible to submit proposals through their organizations. Projects may be initiated from within many disciplines, including health services research, economics, sociology, political science, public policy, public health, public administration, law and business administration. RWJF encourages proposals from organizations on behalf of researchers who are just beginning their careers, who can serve either individually as principal investigators or as part of a project team comprising researchers or other collaborators with more experience. Only organizations and government entities are eligible to receive funding under this program.

Preference will be given to applicants that are either public entities or nonprofit organizations that are tax-exempt under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and are not private foundations as defined under Section 509(a).

Complete selection criteria can be found in the Call for Proposals.

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.rwjf.org/en/grants/funding-opportunities/2011/changes-in-health-care-financing-and-organization--small-grants.html>

### **The National Children's Alliance**

**Deadline:** <http://www.nationalchildrensalliance.org/>

**Amount:** See website

**Description:** The National Children's Alliance has a Request for proposals to help support the development of CACs and Multidisciplinary Teams. NACA encourages all tribal communities to apply. They can offer FREE technical support to help you with your application.

### ➤ **Common Wealth Fund**

The Commonwealth Fund encourages and accepts unsolicited requests on an ongoing basis. The Fund strongly prefers grant applicants to submit letters of inquiry using the online application form. Applicants who choose to submit letters of inquiry by regular mail or fax should provide the information outlined in a two- to three-page document.

They fund:



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- **Delivery System Innovation and Improvement**
- **Health Reform Policy**

### ➤ **Health System Performance Assessment and Tracking**

<http://www.commonwealthfund.org/Grants-and-Programs/Letter-of-Inquiry.aspx>

### ➤ **Kaboom! Invites Grant Applications to Open Previously Unavailable Playgrounds**

**Deadline:** KaBOOM! is inviting grant applications from communities anywhere in the United States working to establish joint use agreements to re-open playground and recreational facilities previously unavailable due to safety and upkeep concerns. (No specific deadline.)

**Amount:** Let's Play Land Use grants of \$15,000 and \$30,000 will support creation of joint-use agreements between local governments and school districts that address cost concerns related to safety, vandalism, maintenance, and liability issues to re-open previously unavailable playgrounds and recreational facilities.

The \$15,000 grants will support the opening of at least four playgrounds in cities with populations of less than 100,000 people. The \$30,000 grants will support the opening of at least eight playgrounds in larger communities.

**Description:** Grants can be used for training and technical assistance, utilities and other building related to the extra use of the facility, legal fees, contract security

services, and marketing campaigns related to the joint-use agreement. Grant recipients must commit to opening the playgrounds within twelve months of the grant decision.

Complete grant application guidelines are available on the KaBOOM! website:

[http://kaboom.org/about\\_kaboom/programs/grants?utm\\_source=direct&utm\\_medium=surl](http://kaboom.org/about_kaboom/programs/grants?utm_source=direct&utm_medium=surl)

### ➤ **Meyer Memorial Trust**

**Deadline:** Monthly (Except January, April and August)

**Amount:** Range generally from \$40,001 to \$300,000 with grant periods from one to two (and occasionally three) years.

**Description:** Responsive Grants are awarded for a wide array of activities in the areas of human services, health, affordable housing, community development, conservation and environment, public affairs, arts and culture and education. There are two stages of consideration before Responsive Grants are awarded. Initial Inquires are accepted at any time through MMT's online grants application. Applicants that pass initial approval are invited to submit full proposals. The full two-step proposal investigation usually takes five to seven months. <http://www.mmt.org/program/responsive-grants>



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➤ **Kellogg Foundation Invites Applications for Programs that Engage Youth and Communities in Learning Opportunities**

**Deadline:** No Deadline

**Amount:** No Amount Specified

**Description:** The W.K. Kellogg Foundation is accepting applications from nonprofit organizations working to promote new ideas about how to engage children and youth in learning and ways to bring together community-based systems that promote learning. The foundation will consider grants in four priority areas: Educated Kids; Healthy Kids; Secure Families; and Civic Engagement.

**Educated Kids:** To ensure that all children get the development and education they need as a basis for independence and success, the foundation seeks opportunities to invest in early child development (ages zero to eight) leading to reading proficiency by third grade, graduation from high school, and pathways to meaningful employment.

**Healthy Kids:** The foundation supports programs that work to ensure that all children grow and reach optimal well-being by having access to fresh, healthy food, physical activity, quality health care, and strong family supports.

**Secure Families:** The foundation supports programs that build economic security for vulnerable children and their families through sustained income and asset accumulation.

**Civic Engagement:** The foundation partners with organizations committed to inclusion, impact, and innovation in solving public problems and meeting the needs of children and families who are most vulnerable.

See the Kellogg Foundation Web site for eligibility and application guidelines.

[http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp\\_item.jhtml?id=411900024#sthash.8WbcfRk.dpuf](http://foundationcenter.org/pnd/rfp/rfp_item.jhtml?id=411900024#sthash.8WbcfRk.dpuf)

• **W.K. Kellogg Foundation**

**Deadline:** The Kellogg Foundation does not have any submission deadlines. Grant applications are accepted throughout the year and are reviewed at their headquarters in Battle Creek, Michigan, or in our regional office in Mexico (for submissions focused within their region).

**Amount: NO LIMIT (Please read restrictions/What they won't fund.)**

**Description:** What to Expect Once they receive your completed online application, an automated response, which includes your WKKF reference number, will be sent to you acknowledging its receipt. Their goal is to review your application and email their initial response to you within 45 days. Your grant may be declined or it may be selected for further development.

As part of review process you may be asked to submit your organization's financial reports and/or IRS Form 990. While this information may be required, it is not intended to be the



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overall determining factor for any funding. You will not be asked to provide any financial reports or detailed budget information during this initial submission. They will only request this information later if needed as part of the proposal development.

If you would like to speak with someone personally, please contact the Central Proposal Processing department at (269) 969-2329. <http://www.wkkf.org/>

**AHRO Research and Other Activities Relevant to American Indians and Alaska Natives**

<http://www.ahrq.gov/research/findings/factsheets/minority/amindbrf/index.html>

**Community Grant Program- WALMART**

**DEADLINE:** The 2016 grant cycle begins Feb. 1, 2016 and the application deadline to apply is Dec. 31, 2016. **Application may be submitted at any time during this funding cycle. Please note that applications will only remain pending in our system for 90 days.**

**AMOUNT:** Awarded grants range from \$250 to \$2,500.

**DESCRIPTION:** Through the Community Grant Program, our associates are proud to support the needs of their communities by providing grants to local organizations.

**WEBSITE:** <http://giving.walmart.com/apply-for-grants/local-giving>

**SCHOLARSHIP:**

**The Meyerhoff Adaptation Project -**

**The Meyerhoff Scholars Program** is open to all high-achieving high school seniors who have an interest in pursuing doctoral study in the sciences or engineering, and who are interested in the advancement of minorities in the sciences and related fields. Students must be nominated for the program and are most typically nominated by their high school administrators, guidance counselors, and teachers. Awards range from \$5,000 – \$22,000 per year for four years.

The Meyerhoff Selection Committee considers students academic performance, standardized test scores, recommendation letters, and commitment to community service. Scholars are selected for their interests in the sciences, engineering, mathematics, or computer science, as well as their plans to pursue a Ph.D. or combined M.D./Ph.D. in the sciences or engineering. Reviewing the freshman class profile may provide an idea of the kinds of students who are admitted to UMBC and the Meyerhoff Scholars Program.

Applicants are expected to have completed a strong college preparatory program of study from an accredited high school. The minimum program of study should include:

English: four years

Social Science/History: three years

Mathematics\*: three years



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Science: three years

Language other than English: two years

\*Students are strongly recommended to have completed four years of mathematics, including trigonometry, pre-calculus, and/or calculus.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

To be considered for the Meyerhoff Scholars Program, prospective students must have at least a "B" average in high school science or math courses, and many applicants have completed a year or more of calculus. Preference is given to those who have taken advanced placement courses in math and science, have research experience, and have strong references from science or math instructors. In recent years, a strong preference has been given to those students interested in the Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. (over the M.D.).

Students must meet all eligibility requirements:

Minimum of 600 on the Math component of the SAT

Cumulative High School GPA of a 3.0 or above

Aspire to obtain a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D. in Math, Science, Computer Science, or Engineering

Display commitment to community service

Must be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States

### **WEBSITE:**

<http://meyerhoff.umbc.edu/how-to-apply/benefits-and-eligibility/>

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### **First Scholars – The Suder Foundation**

#### **DEADLINE:**

**AMOUNT:** The goal of the First Scholars program is to help first-generation college students succeed in school, graduate, and have a life complete with self-awareness, success and significance. Scholars receive personalized support, including a four-year renewable scholarship of \$5,000. The program is open to incoming first-time, full-time freshmen whose parents have no more than two years of education beyond high school and no post-secondary degree.

**DESCRIPTION:** The First Scholars™ Program is available to incoming first-time, full-time freshmen whose parents have no more than two years of education beyond high school and no post-secondary degree. Participation in First Scholars™ includes a four-year renewable scholarship, half disbursed in the fall semester and half disbursed in the spring semester. Students can receive the award depending on eligibility requirements for a total of 4 years if program requirements are met.



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This scholarship is open to Washington residents who enroll at Washington State University - Pullman full-time during the 2016-2017 academic year. The program requires that the recipients live on campus in a specified residence hall for the 2016-2017 academic year, and outside of the family home the following three academic years in order to renew the scholarship.

First-generation students represent a cross-section of America and college campus demographics. First Scholars come from diverse cultural, socioeconomic, geographic and family backgrounds and experiences. First-gen students are found in all departments and colleges of virtually every major public university across the country. Our affiliate universities have an average 30-50% first-gen enrollment and the number keeps rising. However, the average national graduation rate for first-generation students is only 34%, compared with 55% for the general student population.

**WEBSITE:** <http://firstscholars.wsu.edu/>

### **Education Award Applications –The American College of Psychiatrists**

**DEADLINE:** June 30

**AMOUNT:** (SEE WEBSITE)

**DESCRIPTION:** The Award for Creativity in Psychiatric Education is open to any creative/innovative program for psychiatric education that has been in operation for at least two years, and has been a part of a U.S. or Canadian approved psychiatric residency training program. Trainees may include: medical students, residents, other physicians, allied mental health professionals, or members of the community. The Committee selects an awardee in the fall; all applicants are notified of the Committee's decision by November 15.

**WEBSITE:** <http://www.acpsych.org/awards/education-award-applications-deadline-december-1>

### **VETERANS**

#### **VFW Accepting Applications From Veterans for Emergency Financial Assistance**

**DEADLINE:** Open

**AMOUNT:** Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to active and discharged military service members who have been deployed in the last six years and have run into unexpected financial difficulties as a result of deployment or other military-related activity or natural disaster....

**DESCRIPTION:** As the nation's largest organization of combat veterans, we understand the challenges veterans, service members and military families can face and believe that experiencing financial difficulties should not be one of them. That's the premise behind the VFW's Unmet Needs program.

Unmet Needs is there to help America's service members who have been deployed in the last six years and have run into unexpected financial difficulties as a result of deployment



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or other military-related activity. The program provides financial aid of up to \$5,000 to assist with basic life needs in the form of a grant -not a loan- so no repayment is required. To further ease the burden, we pay the creditor directly.

Since the program's inception, Unmet Needs has distributed over \$5 million in assistance to qualified military families, with nearly half of those funds going directly toward basic housing needs.

The needs of our veterans, service members and their families should never go unmet. Let us offer you a hand up when you need it!

Please review the Unmet Needs eligibility criteria to see if you or someone you know qualifies for a grant through the Unmet Needs program.

### **WEBSITE:**

[http://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/?gclid=CjwKEAiAhPCyBRctwMDS5tzT03gSJADZ8VjRw5RxJw1br5NTowrY1NFzylowGtdvOagXa3LHyYK\\_PRoCB4Hw\\_wcB](http://www.vfw.org/UnmetNeeds/?gclid=CjwKEAiAhPCyBRctwMDS5tzT03gSJADZ8VjRw5RxJw1br5NTowrY1NFzylowGtdvOagXa3LHyYK_PRoCB4Hw_wcB)

**RWJF: Submit a Pioneering Idea Brief Proposal - Throughout the year, we welcome Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposals that can help us anticipate the future and consider new and unconventional perspectives and approaches to building a Culture of Health.**

**DEADLINE:** Open

**AMOUNT:** See site

**DESCRIPTION:** The goal of the Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposal funding opportunity is to explore; to look into the future and put health first as we design for changes in how we live, learn, work and play; to wade into uncharted territory in order to better understand what new trends, opportunities and breakthrough ideas can enable everyone in America to live the healthiest life possible.

While improving the status quo is vital to the health and well-being of millions of Americans now, the Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposal opportunity reaches beyond incremental changes to explore the ideas and trends that will influence the trajectory and future of health. Ultimately, we support work that will help us learn what a Culture of Health can look like—and how we can get there.

What is a Pioneering Idea?

Good question! We don't want to provide a checklist that limits your thinking—or ours. We do want to give you as clear a picture as we can about the kinds of proposals we hope to see, so you can best assess whether submitting an idea through our Pioneering Ideas Brief Proposal process is the right next step for you. Our application form allows you to introduce your idea; if it seems to be a fit for our portfolio we will reach out for more information.



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We share some examples below of Pioneering Ideas we have funded in the past to give you a sense of where we've been. Keep in mind that ultimately, we need you to challenge us, and to tell us where we should be going and what ideas have the most potential to transform the way we think about health. As you review the examples below, you may notice some shared themes or characteristics which:

Challenge assumptions or long-held cultural practices.

Take an existing idea and give it a new spin—or a novel application.

Offer a new take or perspective on a long-running, perplexing problem.

Apply cutting-edge ideas from other fields to health.

Explore the potential for emerging trends to impact our ability to build a Culture of Health.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** [http://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/submit-a-proposal.html?rid=CR0RfoW1kVrIxFKudcSYjL9Zh7yWU63VdhdaVE2UAc&et\\_cid=639126](http://www.rwjf.org/en/how-we-work/submit-a-proposal.html?rid=CR0RfoW1kVrIxFKudcSYjL9Zh7yWU63VdhdaVE2UAc&et_cid=639126)

### **IDAHO & WASHINGTON - ONLY**

#### **ASPCA Northern Tier Shelter Initiative Coalition Grants**

**DEADLINE:** No Deadline

**AMOUNT:** Grant amounts will vary depending on project. A site visit may be required as part of the review process or as a condition of receiving the grant funds. Consultation services may be offered as part of a grant package.

**DESCRIPTION:** Priority will be given to coalitions working toward long-term, systemic, and sustainable community/regional improvements in animal welfare services. This may include (but not limited to) programs that:

Increase capacity to provide quality animal care and services by:

Improving protocols around vaccination on intake, disease spread prevention, decreased length of stay, physical and behavioral care of sheltered pets

Improving capacity to provide basic health services including spay/neuter and vaccines for animals at risk in the community.

Increase coalition live release rate via:

Fee-waived adoption programs and policies

High-volume adoption events

Foster programs

Relocation initiatives within the seven Northern Tier target states





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Decrease shelter intake via:

Lost and found programs

Return to owner in the field

Pet retention assistance, such as safety net programs

Re-homing assistance

**WEBSITE:** <http://aspcapro.org/grant/2016/05/06/aspcanorthern-tier-shelter-initiative-coalition-grants>

### Healthy Native Babies Outreach Stipend Application

**DEADLINE:** Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis as funds are available.

**AMOUNT:** \$1500

**DESCRIPTION:** The Healthy Native Babies Project, a project of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), has created culturally appropriate materials with safe infant sleep messages for American Indian and Alaska Native communities. These materials can be tailored for local communities by selecting various photos, graphic designs, and phrases in Native languages from the Healthy Native Babies Project Toolkit Disk. Outreach stipends are available for printing customized outreach materials to disseminate in your community. Recipients must be from one of the following Indian Health Service (IHS) Areas: Alaska, Bemidji, Billings, Great Plains, and Portland. Information on IHS Areas can be found at: <https://www.ihs.gov/locations/>.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://files.constantcontact.com/913a319f001/8e50ceae-d3be-462e-be3d-3216455225bc.pdf?ver=1470849886000>

### Good Sports Accepting Applications for Sports Equipment Program

**DEADLINE:** *ROLLING FUNDING*

**AMOUNT:** While the equipment, apparel, and footwear received through the program are free, recipients are expected to pay shipping and handling costs, which amount to roughly 10 percent of the donation value, with a maximum fee of \$1,500.

**DESCRIPTION:** Good Sports helps lay the foundation for healthy, active lifestyles by providing athletic equipment, footwear, and apparel to disadvantaged young people nationwide. By working closely with teams, coaches, and community leaders across the United States, the organization is able to focus on the respective needs of each individual program and help offset the main factors causing the greatest challenges.

Good Sports is accepting applications from organizations and schools for equipment, apparel, and footwear for a wide range of sports. Organizations that are approved will have access to equipment, apparel, and footwear inventory for a two-year period. During that time, organizations can make up to six separate donation requests — as long as need is well documented, donations will be granted. There is no need to resubmit a full application again during the two-year period.



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To be eligible, applicants must directly serve youth between the ages of 3 and 18; serve youth in an economically disadvantaged area; be located in North America (the U.S. and Canada); and operate an organized sport, recreational activity, or fitness program that offers consistent and structured opportunity for play to large groups of children. Schools must apply as a whole; applications for individual programs within a school will not be considered. Donation requests for short-term events such as sports camps and tournaments or to individual athletes will not be considered.

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. It is recommended, however, that organizations apply at least eight weeks prior to the start of their particular season or program to ensure the desired equipment can be accessed and shipped on time.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <https://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

**Good Sports Accepting Applications for **Athletic Equipment** Grants**

**DEADLINE:** *ROLLING FUNDING*

**AMOUNT:** You will be required to sign a release form and pay a shipping and handling fee with each donation. This will always equal 10% of the total retail value of the items; for example, if the total value of your items equals \$2,000, you will be asked to provide \$200, etc.

**DESCRIPTION:** Good Sports in Quincy, Massachusetts, is a nonprofit whose mission is to increase youth participation in sports, recreation, and fitness activities.

To that end, the organization provides sports equipment, apparel, and footwear to youth organizations offering sports, fitness, and recreational programs to youth in need.

To be eligible, organizations must directly serve youth between the ages of 3 and 18 in an economically disadvantaged area; be located in North America (U.S. and Canada); and operate an organized sport, recreational activity, or fitness program that offers consistent and structured opportunity for play to large groups of children. Winning organizations may make up to six equipment requests within a two-year period. Winners will be responsible for operational costs, including equipment shipping, up to \$1,500.

**WEBSITE/LINK:** <http://www.goodsports.org/apply/>

**Voya Foundation Grants**

**DEADLINE:** Grant requests are reviewed throughout the year. Grant applicants should check the online system for quarterly deadlines, which are subject to change.

**AMOUNT:** Value of grant requests must be a minimum of \$2,500.

**DESCRIPTION:** The Voya Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Voya Financial, works to ensure that youth are equipped with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) expertise and financial knowledge necessary to compete in the twenty-first century workforce and make smart financial decisions that lead to a secure retirement.



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To that end, Voya is accepting applications from organizations that provide innovative and experiential K-8 STEM learning opportunities that promote an early interest in STEM career fields and improve teachers' capabilities in STEM; or that provide financial education curriculum to grade 9-12 students focused on navigating major financial milestones such as student debt, credit, home ownership, financial products and services/financial capability, and family needs.

- 1) STEM Education: The foundation supports organizations that fund high-quality experiential STEM learning opportunities for children in grades K-8. Programs are evaluated based on improvements in covered STEM concepts and increased interest in STEM careers generated over the course of the program.
- 2) Financial Literacy: Voya's financial literacy grants support organizations that provide financial literacy curriculum to students in high school (grades 9-12). Programs must cover student debt, credit, home ownership, investing, and understanding of financial products and services (financial capability), and family financial planning.

To be eligible, applicants must be considered tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**WEBSITE/LINK: <http://corporate.voya.com/corporate-responsibility/investing-communities/voya-foundation-grants>**

Nominations for the 2016 IHS National Director's Awards are now being accepted. Please consider and submit nominations for the awards. We have many employees and partners who go above and beyond the call of duty each and every day to help improve the IHS. We have seen creative and innovative efforts during the year that have helped us make progress on our agency priorities, and it is important that we acknowledge those who make outstanding contributions to the IHS.

The awards are for accomplishments in calendar year 2016 and encompass the entire Indian Health System; IHS, Tribal, and Urban Indian Health employees are all eligible.

When preparing and submitting a nomination, please be sure to provide a detailed description focusing on how the nominee's accomplishments have impacted the IHS and specific outcomes that have positively contributed to the mission.

The award categories are:

- IHS Director's Awards – individual or team
- IHS Director's Award for Customer Service – individual or team
- Luana Reyes Leadership Award

For additional information on each award category as well as the nomination form and submission instructions, please visit the [IHS National Director's Awards](https://www.ihs.gov/nda/index.cfm#_blank) website:  
[https://www.ihs.gov/nda/index.cfm#\\_blank](https://www.ihs.gov/nda/index.cfm#_blank)

Please submit your awards to Asha Petoskey, Portland Area Awards Coordinator at [asha.petoskey@ihs.gov](mailto:asha.petoskey@ihs.gov) by close of business **Friday, March 3, 2017**.

Thank you for recognizing outstanding achievements in the work we do to improve IHS and to provide the highest level of quality health care to American Indians and Alaska Natives.

If you have any questions, please email Asha Petoskey at [asha.petoskey@ihs.gov](mailto:asha.petoskey@ihs.gov).

**INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE  
NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S AWARD NOMINATION AND APPROVAL FORM  
DUE DATE FOR NOMINATIONS: March 10, 2017**

**1. Award Categories**

Director's Award      Customer Service      Luana Reyes

**2. Name of Nominee or Team:** Please list the names as it should appear on the plaque or certificate, including credentials if applicable (*maximum of 3 credentials*). Please use Attachment A to list all nominated team members.

Individual      Team      Number of Employees (*For team awards*)

**3. Organization:****4. Period Covered in Nomination** (*within calendar year 2015*)

From: Month	Year	To: Month	Year
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**5. Award Justification:** (*Please describe how the individual or team significantly advanced the IHS mission and goals through enhancements supporting one or more of the following IHS priorities; renewing and strengthening Tribal partnerships; bringing reform to the IHS; improving quality and access to care for IHS patients; and ensuring transparency, accountability, fairness, and inclusion.*)**6. Award Citation:** This text will be used directly in the published awards program. (*Please limit the write-up to approximately 25 words or less*)**7. Nominator**

Name:	Title:	Signature:	Date:
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**8. Award Nominee's Supervisor** (*or Team Chair/Leader for Team Awards*)

Name:	Title:	Signature:	Date:
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**9. (for Areas only) Area Director**

Name:	Signature:	Date:
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**10. (for Headquarters only) Deputy Director (DDMO/CMO)**

Name:	Signature:	Date:
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**11. Area Awards Coordinator**

Name:	Signature:	Date:
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Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am pleased to share an update on the status of the exemption of certain Indian Health Service (IHS) positions from the Federal civilian hiring freeze as provided by the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) guidance memoranda (M-17-17<sup>1</sup> and M-17-18<sup>2</sup>) for implementing the *Presidential Memoranda Regarding the Hiring Freeze*.<sup>3</sup>

I want to thank everyone for sending and sharing copies of your letters and resolutions related to the impact of the Federal civilian hiring freeze on the IHS and our health care delivery system. I shared these with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to illustrate the critical need for an exemption to the hiring freeze to avoid negatively impacting the delivery and quality of health care within our system.

HHS recently issued guidance identifying HHS-wide positions and occupational series that are exempt from the hiring freeze. The guidance identified positions and occupational series that meet the exemptions criteria and fall within the parameters of public safety and national security. For the IHS, positions involved in direct patient care and a number of ancillary mission critical support positions without which patient care providers and facilities could not function, are now exempt. In addition, positions directly related to public health safety and emergencies, national security and critical infrastructure are also exempt.

The U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps is exempt from the hiring freeze per OMB memorandum M-17-18. This means Commissioned Corps officers may continue to be hired and detailed to critical areas of need within the IHS, and to Tribal health programs.

The IHS will continue to work with HHS to seek additional exemptions, if needed, from the Federal civilian hiring freeze that fall within the parameters of public safety and national security. I will share additional updates with you as soon they become available.

Sincerely,

/Chris Buchanan/

RADM Chris Buchanan, R.E.H.S., M.P.H.  
Assistant Surgeon General, USPHS  
Acting Director

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<sup>1</sup> Office of Management and Budget (OMB). (January 25, 2017). *Memorandum: Immediate Actions and Initial Guidance on Federal Civilian Hiring Freeze* (M-17-17). Retrieved from <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/01/25/omb-memorandum-immediate-actions-and-initial-guidance-federal-civilian>.

<sup>2</sup> Office of Management and Budget (OMB). (January 31, 2017). *Memorandum: Federal Civilian Hiring Freeze, issued on January 31* (M-17-18). Retrieved from <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/01/31/federal-civilian-hiring-freeze-guidance>.

<sup>3</sup> President Donald J. Trump (January 23, 2017). *Presidential Memorandum Regarding the Hiring Freeze*. Retrieved from <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/01/23/presidential-memorandum-regarding-hiring-freeze>.

The letter to Tribal and Urban leaders providing an update on the status of the exemption of certain Indian Health Service positions from the federal civilian hiring freeze is now posted on the web site.

<https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/triballeaderletters/>  
<https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/urbanleaderletters>





Stop. Observe. Ask. Respond to Human Trafficking  
A Training for Health Care and Social Service Providers

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## SOAR: Stop, Observe, Ask, and Respond to Human Trafficking Live Webinar

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Jointly provided by Postgraduate Institute for Medicine and U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.



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Many victims of human trafficking come into contact with health care and social service professionals and remain unidentified. Potential victims can present with a wide-range of physical and psychological health issues and social service needs. The SOAR to Health and Wellness training aims to educate health care and social service professionals on how to identify, treat, and respond appropriately to potential victims of human trafficking.

## Agenda

1:00 pm EST – 1:50 pm EST	Introduction and Stop (50 min)
1:50 pm EST – 1:55 pm EST	Break (5 min)
1:55 pm EST – 2:40 pm EST	Observe (45 min)
2:40 pm EST – 3:25 pm EST	Ask (45 min)
3:25 pm EST – 3:30 pm EST	Break (5 min)
3:30 pm EST – 4:10 pm EST	Respond (40 min)

## Training Calendar

- [3/9/17 - Social Work Providers](#)
- [3/16/17 - Health Care Providers](#)
- [3/23/17 - Behavioral Health Professionals](#)

## Target Audience

This activity is designed to educate health care and social service professionals on how to identify, treat, and respond appropriately to potential victims of human trafficking. The target audience includes: physicians, pharmacists, pharmacy technicians, registered nurses, dentists, psychologists, social workers, case managers, school counselors, public health professionals, and health education specialists.

## Educational Objectives

After completing this activity, the participant should be better able to:

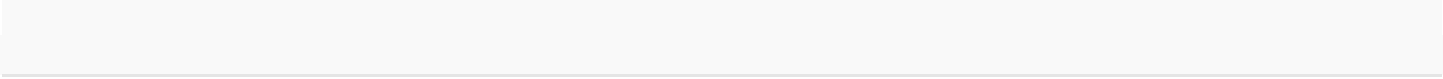
- Describe the types of human trafficking in the United States
- Recognize possible indicators of human trafficking
- Demonstrate how to identify and respond to potential trafficking victims
- Respond appropriately to potential human trafficking in your community
- Share the importance of human trafficking awareness and responsiveness with others in your work environment

## Requirements for CME/CE Credit

Please read the requirements for CME/CE credit prior to registration to ensure proper selection

of appropriate continuing education credit and to review complete accreditation information. Failure to comply with the requirements noted will prohibit you from earning proper credit. You can read these requirements at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/training/soar/continuing-education-credit>.

To sign up for SOAR updates, including new webinar and in person training dates, please email [info@nhttac.org](mailto:info@nhttac.org).



Welcome to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) tribal resource digest for the week of February 6, 2017. The purpose of this digest is to help you connect with the tools and resources you may need to do valuable work in your communities.



*Lone Tree at Acoma Pueblo  
 Photo courtesy of Mary Hall*

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Please send any photos of GHWIC work (community gardens, events, team meetings, etc.) to Anisha Quiroz, [AQUIROZ@cdc.gov](mailto:AQUIROZ@cdc.gov) with a short description of the photo.


## Announcements

### Small Town and Rural Multimodal Networks

This document is intended to be a resource for transportation practitioners in small towns and rural communities. It applies existing national design guidelines in a rural setting and highlights small town and rural case studies. It addresses challenges specific to rural areas, recognizes how many rural roadways are operating today, and focuses on opportunities to make incremental improvements despite the geographic, fiscal, and other challenges that many rural communities face. Read more [here](#).

### Create Healthy Communities with National Quality Forum's Action Guide

The Action Guide is a framework to help multi-sector groups work together to improve population health by addressing 10 interrelated elements for success and using the related resources as needed. Like a "how-to" manual, the Action Guide is organized by these 10 elements and contains definitions, recommendations, practical examples, and a range of resources to help communities achieve their shared goals and make lasting improvements in population health. It is intentionally brief and written in plain language to be as accessible as possible for all types of stakeholders at the local, state, regional, and national levels to take action. Download [here](#).



### SAVE THE DATE—Second Annual Conference on Native American Nutrition

Join then for this annual conference that brings together tribal officials, researchers, practitioners, and others to discuss the current state of Indigenous and academic scientific knowledge about Native nutrition and food science, and identify new areas of work.

When: **September 18-20, 2017**

Where: **Prior Lake, MN**



### American Indian Cancer Foundation Annual Report 2015

American Indian Cancer Foundation is excited to present their first annual report, in which their highlight 2015 and share how far they've come! Read more [here](#)

### Healthy Food Service Guidelines in Worksite and Community Settings

Exceed: The Tool for Using Healthy Food Service Guidelines

This session will describe the RFP process, sample language for technical proposals, and explain how the Randolph-Sheppard Act implements guidelines for food service facilities on government property. The purpose of this call series is to facilitate a networking forum to share information among public health practitioners on healthy food service guidelines and procurement strategies.

The Exceed tool (<http://www.exceedtool.com/>) is a new resource that provides guidance on how to include healthy food service guidelines in your food service contracts.

**Call Number: 866-581-9669, participant code 31358597**

**Webinar Link: <https://ondieh.adobeconnect.com/r1qslzo4l4v/>**

When: **February 28, 2017 1:00EST**



### Using the CDC's Stay Independent Checklist to Engage a Community of American Indians and Raise Awareness About Risk of Falls, 2016

Describes a program implemented to help prevent falls among elders in the Zuni Pueblo community in rural western New Mexico. Read more [here](#).

## Employment Opportunities

### Tribal Sexual Assault Services Program (Tribal SASP)

Provides funding directly to tribes, tribal organizations, and non-profit tribal organizations to create, maintain, and expand sustainable, culturally-relevant sexual assault services within Indian country and Alaskan native villages. Read more [here](#).

Deadline: **February 23, 2017**



### Indian Health Service Dental Externships

Indian Health Service Dental Externships provide an opportunity for dental students to gain professional experience, as well as to determine whether a career with the Indian Health Service (IHS) Division of Oral Health or a position at a specific IHS or Tribal site would be a career path of interest. Read more [here](#).

Deadline: **February 28, 2017**



### Indigenous—Project LAUNCH

Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health in American Indian and Alaskan Native Communities, U.S. Territories, and Pacific Jurisdictions Cooperative Agreements (Indigenous – Project LAUNCH) provides grants to promote the wellness of young children from birth to 8 years within tribes, territories, and Pacific Island jurisdictions by addressing the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and behavioral aspects of their development to ensure children are thriving in safe, supportive environments, and entering school ready to learn and able to succeed. Read more [here](#).

Deadline: **March 1, 2017**



### Cooperative Agreements for Tribal Behavioral Health (Native Connections)

Cooperative Agreements for Tribal Behavioral Health (Native Connections) awards funding for projects designed to prevent and reduce suicidal behavior and substance abuse, reduce the impact of trauma, and promote mental health among American Indian/Alaska Native young people up to the age of 24. Read more [here](#).


Deadline: **March 9, 2017**

## Funding Opportunities

### CFANS Diversity Scholars—Postdoctoral Fellows

Recognizing that diverse communities foster thriving learning and working environments, the University of Minnesota is committed to preparing a diverse array of global leaders in food, natural resources and the environment, while enhancing the cultural diversity of the University community. Read more [here](#).

Deadline: **April 1, 2017**



### Public Transportation on Indian Reservations Program; Tribal Transit Program FY 2017

Recognizing that diverse communities foster thriving learning and working environments, the University of Minnesota is committed to preparing a diverse array of global leaders in food, natural resources and the environment, while enhancing the cultural diversity of the University community. The College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences (CFANS) Diversity Scholars - Postdoctoral Fellows is an initiative to attract promising scholars of color with potential to pursue future faculty positions at the University of Minnesota and at other top research universities. Read more [here](#).

Deadline: **March 20, 2017**

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**Your Health Idaho  
Tribal Quarterly Meeting**  
February 16, 2017 | 8:00 to 9:00 AM MST  
Pete T Cenarrusa Building – 450 W. State Street, Boise  
Conference Room 2A

**Conference Line**

Dial in: 415-594-500  
Access Code: 307-199-216 #

**AGENDA**

- Approve minutes from last meeting
- Your Health Idaho Update
  - Enrollments
  - 1095A - Status
  - Technology Updates
- ACA Update – Latest News
- Other Business
- Next Meeting